



Robert M. Cutler writes on Azerbaijan and Turkmenistan's view on the Caspian Sea

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"For over twenty years, Azerbaijan and Turkmenistan have been at odds over the mid-Caspian oil and gas field that the former called "Kepez" (often rendered "Kyapaz" from the Russian) and that the latter called "Sardar." In late 2020, they agreed to rename it Dostlug/Dostluk, meaning "Friendship" in their Turkic languages. On January 21, they signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) agreeing on the terms for their joint exploration and development of the field. This agreement removes the last obstacle to the construction of the Trans-Caspian Gas Pipeline (TCGP)".

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